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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 5087th meeting (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

Morning[1] . . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Haiti

Other matters

4 p.m. . . . . 5088th meeting (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5087th meeting of the Council.

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General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 25th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [75]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L 10, A/C.459/L.11, A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1 and A/C.4/97/L.13

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories . . . [76]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.14, A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1 and A/C.4/59/L.18

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance . . . . . [39]

   (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.40 and A/C.2/59/L.44

2. Eradication of poverty and other development issues . . . . . [89]

   (a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.49 and A/C.2/59/L.50

   (b) Women in development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.48

   (c) Industrial development cooperation

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.47

3. Training and research . . . . . [92]

   (a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.51

4. Information and communication technologies for development . . . . . [44]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.18 and A/C.2/59/L.32*

5. Sustainable development . . . . . [85]

   (c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.11 and A/C.2/59/L.45

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.13 and A/C.2/59/L.30

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.14 and A/C.2/59/L.46

6. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly . [86]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.5 and A/C.2/59/L.38

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources . . . . . [91]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.41

8. Training and research . . . . . [92]

(b) United Nations University

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.35

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 53rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 54th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [99]

Action on the draft proposal submitted by the Chairman

2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.71

3. Human rights questions . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/59/L.38, A/C.3/59/L.44, A/C.3/59/L.51, A/C.3/59/L.58 and A/C.3/59/L.62 (and amendments thereto: A/C.3/59/L.77)

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/59/L.46, A/C.3/59/L.48 and A/C.3/59/L.54*

4. Revitalization of the work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/59/CRP.1)

5. Programme of work for the sixtieth session of the Third Committee (A/C.3/59/CRP.2)

6. Completion of the work of the Third Committee

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 27th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/59/408, A/59/449, A/59/414, A/58/300, A/59/70, A/C.5/58/16, A/59/280, A/59/280/Corr.1, A/59/280/Add.1, A/59/78 and A/C.5/59/12) . . . . . [120]

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/59/549, A/59/139 and A/59/561) [121]

3. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/59/547, A/59/139 and A/59/561) . . . . . [122]

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/59/549, A/59/139 and A/59/561)); and 122 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/59/547, A/59/139 and A/59/561))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council

2. Draft reports

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Second Committee

Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Olivier Chave (Switzerland) on the draft resolution on agenda item 90 (b) (Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Khondker Talha (Bangladesh), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (a) (International trade and development), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Claudio Rojas (Chile), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (Globalization and interdependence), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), on the draft resolution on agenda item 92 (a) (United Nations Institute for Training and Research), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (d) (Commodities), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (e) (Economies in transition), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal "informals", convened by Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), on the draft resolution on agenda item 88 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Peter Gebert (Denmark), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 24 November 2004

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee)*

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Ad Hoc Expert Group on the Short- and Medium-term Prospects of the World Economy (Project LINK)

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

2.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the second draft of the resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 27 (The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security) and 39 (d) (Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(briefing by the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs: eradication of poverty and other developing issues: women in development)*

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(financing for development)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)*

3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on specific actions relating to the particular needs an problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)*

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

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[1] Following the adjournment of the previous meeting.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence" (under agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Western European and Other States Group

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on "Gender and development related issues in the context of the peace process in Liberia" (organized by the Office of the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States)

There will an informal briefing on "Gender and development related issues in the context of the peace process in Liberia" by H.E. Ms. Vabah Kazaku Gayflor, Minister of Gender and Development of Liberia. The meeting, organized by the Office of the High Representative for Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, will take place *today*, 24 November 2004, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Briefing by the Chairman of the thirteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development

There will be a briefing by H.E. Mr. John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda), Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, on preparations for the thirteenth session (policy session) and its intergovernmental preparatory meeting. The briefing will be held *today*, 24 November 2004, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings on *today*, 24 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . **Mr. Juan Gabriel Valdes, Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Haiti (on the situation in Haiti)**

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Second Committee
Informal consultations

The Second Committee will hold informal consultations on the revitalization of its work on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) will be held on Friday, 26 November 2004, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, 29 November 2004, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977. Representatives of all Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies, as well as observers, are invited to attend. Messages of solidarity should be sent to room S-3350.

Economic and Social Council

Commission for Social Development
Forty-third session

The forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 9 to 18 February 2005. In its resolution 2004/58, the Economic and Social Council decided that the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development should convene high-level plenary meetings open to the participation of all United Nations Member States and observers on the 10-year review of the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly. The high-level plenary meetings will be held on 10 and 11 February 2005. In this regard, three high-level round tables will be convened on eradication of poverty, promoting full employment and fostering social integration. Information on the modalities and background notes for each of these three round tables is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. For further information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2005.htm.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005

The Secretary-General of the United Nations International Meeting would like to inform all concerned that the International Meeting will be held in Mauritius from 10 to 14 January 2005. It will be preceded by two days of informal consultations in Mauritius on Saturday and Sunday, 8 and 9 January. The high-level segment will be held on Thursday and Friday, 13 and 14 January.

Lists of speakers

Plenary interactive panels

There will be no speakers' lists for the interactive panels organized in the plenary, scheduled to take place from Monday, 10 January, to Wednesday, 12 January.

High-level segment general debate

Inscriptions on the list of speakers for the high-level segment of the International Meeting, to be held on 13 and 14 January 2005, will be opened on *Monday, 29 November 2004*, for the general debate under item 8 of the provisional agenda entitled, "Comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States". Statements would be presented by Heads of State or Government, or their high-level appointees, on the basis of the list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established practice. It has been recommended that statements not exceed five minutes. Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation for the speakers' list to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

High-level segment round tables

There will be two round tables on the overall theme "The Way Forward".

Round table 1, to be held on Thursday, 13 January, from 3 to 6 p.m., will highlight resources; and *Round table 2*, to be held on Friday, 14 January, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will highlight capacity-building and technology transfer.

Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation and the round table to which they would like to inscribe to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org). Each interactive round table would have 40-50 participants and would be open to Heads of State or Government or their high-level appointees.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Celebrating the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family" (under agenda item 94) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar, in its capacity as Chair of the Group of 77)

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Celebrating the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family" (under agenda item 94), organized by the Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar, in its capacity as Chair of the Group of 77, will be held on Friday, 26 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

UNITAR briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 2005. Depending on the availability of seats, delegates from other States may attend as observers. The briefing will be held on the following dates: Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all States that will be members of the Security Council in 2005. The registration deadline is *today*, 24 November 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Panel on "Innovative avenues for addressing HIV/AIDS" (organized by the United States Mission)

There will be a panel discussion on "Innovative Avenues for Addressing HIV/AIDS", moderated by Ms. Lynn Sherr, ABC News, on Tuesday, 30 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Ms. Mary Wilson, CultureConnect Ambassador, will be among the panellists. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

United Nations Development Programme

The second informal meeting in the process of consultation with Member States of UNDP on the *Human Development Report 2005* will take place on Thursday, 9 December 2004, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Announcements

Security Council **Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), *no later than Friday, 26 November 2004*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

Copies of UNU-Wider Study on "New Sources of Development Finance"

Copies of the recently released UNU-WIDER Study on "New Sources of Development Finance" can be obtained from the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-2386) (limited to one copy for each Permanent Mission).

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 23 November 2004

Security Council

5086th meeting

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994

Letter dated 23 November 2004 from the President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/987)

Letter dated 19 November 2004 from the President of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2004/921)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Croatia, the Minister of Public Administration and Local Self-Government of the Republic of Serbia, on behalf of Serbia and Montenegro, the Deputy Prosecutor of the Republic of Rwanda and the representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure to Judge Theodor Meron, President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991; Judge Erik Møse, President of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994; Ms. Carla Del Ponte, Prosecutor of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the former Yugoslavia since 1991; and Mr. Hassan Bubacar Jallow, Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January 1994 and 31 December 1994.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Council heard briefings by the President of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, the President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, the Prosecutor of the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

Statements were made by the representatives of Angola, Algeria, the United Kingdom, Brazil, China, the Philippines, Germany, Spain, Benin, France, the Russian Federation, Romania, Pakistan and Chile, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Presidents and the Prosecutors of the Tribunals provided clarifications in response to comments and questions posed by members of the Council.

The Council heard statements by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Croatia, the Minister of Public Administration and Local Self-Government of the Republic of Serbia, on behalf of Serbia and Montenegro, as well as the Deputy Prosecutor of the Republic of Rwanda and the representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

60th plenary meeting

The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan: draft resolution (A/59/L.32) [163]

H.E. Mr. Elmar Mammadyarov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/59/L.32.

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Armenia, the United States (on behalf of the Co-Chairmen of the Minsk Group) and Pakistan.

The Assembly was informed that action on draft resolution A/59/L.32 would be taken at a later date.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 163.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [45]; follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [55]: ***report of the Secretary-General (A/59/545): joint debate***

(a) Integrated and coordinated implementation for and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/224) . . . . . [45]

(b) Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit . . . . . [55]

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/282 and A/59/282/Corr.1)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Achieving the Universal Primary Education Goal of the Millennium Declaration" (A/59/76, A/59/76/Add.1 and A/59/76/Add.1/Corr.1)

(iii) Letter from the Permanent Representatives of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania transmitting the report entitled "A fair globalization: creating opportunities for all" (A/59/98)

(iv) Draft resolution (A/59/L.30)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 45 and 55.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Thailand, the United States, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Lebanon.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/32 of 19 November 2002, the President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.30 as orally revised (resolution 59/27).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 45 and 55.

Main Committees

Third Committee

51st meeting

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.67/Rev.1

The representative of Belarus introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions . . . . . [100]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.74

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Jordan orally revised the text and announced that Mexico and Thailand had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Following a statement by the representative of the United States, the Committee deferred taking action on the draft resolution.

Right of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [104]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.75

The representative of Pakistan made a statement and announced that the following delegations had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Armenia, Bahrain, Brunei Darussalam, Cameroon, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Somalia and United Arab Emirates. He also announced that Nigeria should be removed from the list of sponsors.

Benin, Burkina Faso, Singapore and Thailand also joined as sponsors of the draft resolution, which was adopted by the Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, Argentina and the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union).

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . . . . . [105 (c)]

Draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.48

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa and the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union).

The representative of South Africa then moved for the adjournment of the discussion on the draft resolution until the following day.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of China and Algeria; statements against the motion were made by the representatives of Canada and the Netherlands.

The motion was carried by a recorded vote of 92 to 67, with 12 abstentions.

52nd meeting — The summary of the 52nd meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/228).

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 23 November 2004

General Assembly

Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture
Thirty-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

632nd meeting — *Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention* . . . . . [7]

The Committee continued its consideration of individual communications.

633rd meeting — *Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* . . . . . [4]

The Committee heard the replies of the representatives of Greece to questions posed the previous day in connection with their report (CAT/C/61/Add.1).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

50th–51st meetings — *Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* . . . . . [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the draft general comment on article 15 (1) (c) (The right of everyone to benefit from the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, literary or artistic production of which he is the author).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Accession: Mauritania (17 November 2004)[1]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Accession: Mauritania (17 November 2004)[1]

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Accession: Mauritania (17 November 2004)[1]

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Accession: The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (18 November 2004)[1]

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995

Ratification: The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (18 November 2004)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Ratification: Nigeria (22 November 2004)[1]

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[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Exhibit

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibit entitled "Steadfast in Palestine." The exhibit will be displayed from Monday, 29 November, to Friday, 10 December 2004, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building. The formal opening of the exhibit will be held on Monday, 29 November 2004, at 6 p.m. in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of films entitled "In the Name of Security" and "The Wall", which will be shown on Monday, 29 November, at 1 p.m. at the Dag Hammarksjöld Library Auditorium.

General information

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 23 November 2004.

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General Assembly	**Documents**
	Fifty-ninth session
A/59/432/Add.1	Item 105 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Report of the Secretary-General on Khmer Rouge trials [A C E F R S]

A/59/576-S/2004/913 Items 56 (n) and 163 — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Letter dated 18 November 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1 Item 75 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — 27-Power revised draft resolution — Operations of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1 Item 76 — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — 27-Power revised draft resolution — Applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the other occupied Arab territories [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1 Item 76 — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — 27-Power revised draft resolution — Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the occupied Syrian Golan [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1 Item 76 — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — 27-Power draft resolution — Israeli practices affecting the human rights of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/59/L.30 Item 85 (d) — Sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.13 [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/59/L.32 Reissued for technical reasons [F (only)]

A/C.2/59/L.48 Item 89 (b) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: women in development — One-Power draft resolution — World Survey on the Role of Women in Development [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/59/L.49 Item 89 (a) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) — One-Power draft resolution — Role of microcredit in the eradication of poverty [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/59/L.50 Item 89 (a) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) — One-Power: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/59/L.51	Item 92 (a) — Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research — One-Power: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/59/10	Item 100 — Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions — Identical letters dated 17 November 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.67/Rev.1	Item 103 (a) — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination — 7-Power revised draft resolution — Measures to be taken against political platforms and activities based on doctrines of superiority and violent nationalist ideologies which are based on racial discrimination or ethnic exclusiveness and xenophobia, including neo-Nazism [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.70/Rev.1	Item 104 — Right of peoples to self-determination — 61-Power: revised draft resolution — The right of the Palestinian people to self-determination [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.81	Item 101 — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — United States of America: amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1 — Rights of the child [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.82	Items 108 and 101 — Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Rights of the child — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.82/Add.1	Items 101 and 108 — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Rights of the child — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/59/L.83	Item 101 — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — 5-Power proposed amendments to draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1 [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2004/907	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [A C E F R S]
S/2004/912	Letter dated 11 November 2004 from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/59/576-S/2004/913	Letter dated 18 November 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

S/2004/914	Letter dated 15 November 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2004/920	Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5085	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1575 (2004)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5085th meeting [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms on Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/VEN/4-6	Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Combined fourth, fifth and sixth periodic reports of States parties — Venezuela [A C E F R S]

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[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 25 November 2004, official holiday.]

Friday, 26 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 114 (Human resources management (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add.2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/291, A/59/446, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/58/666, A/59/299, A/C.5/58/L.13, A/58/283, A/59/213, A/59/213/Add.1, A/C.5/59/CRP.3, A/C.5/59/4, A/59/388, A/59/253, A/59/152, A/58/704, A/56/956, A/56/956/Add.1, A/59/65 and A/59/65/Add.1))

3–4 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/59/5/Add.11, A/59/549, A/59/139 and A/59/561)); and 122 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/59/5/Add.12, A/59/547, A/59/139 and A/59/561))

4–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 112 (Pattern of conferences (A/59/32, A/59/159, A/59/159/Add.1, A/59/172, A/59/418, A/59/133, A/59/133/Corr.1, A/58/435, A/58/435/Add.1 and A/58/620))

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Other meetings

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Friday, 26 November 2004

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Celebrating the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family" (under agenda item 94) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar, in its capacity as Chair of the Group of 77)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Eastern European Group *(at the expert level)*

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 26 November 2004

Room S-226

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 29 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

General Committee

9.30 a.m. . . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item submitted by several Member States (A/59/238) [8]

Plenary

3 p.m. . . . . . 61st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Question of Palestine . . . . . [37]

   (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/59/35)

   (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/574)[1]

2. The situation in the Middle East: reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/431, A/59/574)[1] . . . . . [36]

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations, under the chairmanship of Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee, on the revitalization of its work on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 28th meeting on Monday, 29 November, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 28th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold a solemn meeting from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, 29 November 2004, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 32/40 B of 2 December 1977. Representatives of all Member States, United Nations bodies and agencies, as well as observers, are invited to attend. Messages of solidarity should be sent to room S-3350.

Economic and Social Council

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005

The Secretary-General of the United Nations International Meeting would like to inform all concerned that the International Meeting will be held in Mauritius from 10 to 14 January 2005. It will be preceded by two days of informal consultations in Mauritius on Saturday and Sunday, 8 and 9 January. The high-level segment will be held on Thursday and Friday, 13 and 14 January.

Lists of speakers

Plenary interactive panels

There will be no speakers' lists for the interactive panels organized in the plenary, scheduled to take place from Monday, 10 January, to Wednesday, 12 January.

High-level segment general debate

Inscriptions on the list of speakers for the high-level segment of the International Meeting, to be held on 13 and 14 January 2005, will be opened on *Monday, 29 November 2004*, for the general debate under item 8 of the provisional agenda entitled, "Comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States". Statements would be presented by Heads of State or Government, or their high-level appointees, on the basis of the list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established practice. It has been recommended that statements not exceed five minutes. Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation for the speakers' list to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

High-level segment round tables

There will be two round tables on the overall theme "The Way Forward".

Round table 1, to be held on Thursday, 13 January, from 3 to 6 p.m., will highlight resources; and *Round table 2*, to be held on Friday, 14 January, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will highlight capacity-building and technology transfer.

Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation and the round table to which they would like to inscribe to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org). Each interactive round table would have 40-50 participants and would be open to Heads of State or Government or their high-level appointees.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(draft resolutions on globalization and interdependence; follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for development; training and research: United Nations University)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(draft resolutions on globalization and interdependence; follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for development; and training and research: United Nations University)*, on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on operational activities for development: triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(draft resolution on operational activities for development: triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)*, on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Group of 77 *(preparation for the upcoming meeting of the High-level Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on an Intergovernmental Strategic Plan for Technology Support and Capacity-Building)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(preparation for the upcoming meeting of the High-level Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on an Intergovernmental Strategic Plan for Technology Support and Capacity-Building)*, on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: achieving coherence of development goals with conflict prevention and peace-building measures; and eradication of poverty and other development issues: women in development)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(draft resolution on eradication of poverty and other development issues: achieving coherence of development goals with conflict prevention and peace-building measures; and eradication of poverty and other development issues: women in development)*, on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 39) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 39), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union, will continue on Monday, 29 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8. For further information, please contact Mr. Dirk-Jan Nieuwenhuis (e-mail dj.nieuwenhuis@minbuza.nl).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 27 (The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security) and 39 (d) (Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda items 27 (The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security) and 39 (d) (Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan), organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, on Monday, 29 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9, and Tuesday, 30 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D, and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

UNITAR briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 2005. Depending on the availability of seats, delegates from other States may attend as observers. The briefing will be held on the following dates: Monday, 29 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Thursday,

2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Informal consultations on cooperation between the United Nations and Southern African Development Community (under agenda item 56 (s)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be informal consultations on cooperation between the United Nations and Southern African Development Community (under agenda item 56 (s)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, on Tuesday, 30 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Panel on "Innovative avenues for addressing HIV/AIDS" (organized by the United States Mission)

There will be a panel discussion on "Innovative Avenues for Addressing HIV/AIDS", moderated by Ms. Lynn Sherr, ABC News, on Tuesday, 30 November 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Ms. Mary Wilson, CultureConnect Ambassador, will be among the panellists. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on the third draft of the resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 39 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

There will be Informal consultations on the third draft of the resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 39 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, on Tuesday, 30 November 2004, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

United Nations Development Programme

The second informal meeting in the process of consultation with Member States of UNDP on the *Human Development Report 2005* will take place on Thursday, 9 December 2004, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Announcements

Security Council **Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

High-level round tables to be convened during the high-level plenary meetings of the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development

The forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 9 to 18 February 2005. In its resolution 2004/58, the Economic and Social Council decided that the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development should convene high-level plenary meetings open to the participation of all United Nations Member States and observers on the 10-year review of the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly. *The high-level plenary meetings will be held on 10 and 11 February 2005. In this regard, three high-level round tables will be convened on eradication of poverty, promoting full employment and fostering social integration*. Information on the modalities and background notes for each of these three round tables is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. For further information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2005.htm.

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), *no later than Friday, 26 November 2004,* indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

Copies of UNU-Wider Study on "New Sources of Development Finance"

Copies of the recently released UNU-WIDER Study on "New Sources of Development Finance" can be obtained from the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-2386) (limited to one copy for each Permanent Mission).

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 23 November 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

52nd meeting

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions . . . . . [100]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.74

The representative of Jordan announced that Qatar had also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Benin also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina, India and Cuba.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 100.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children. . . . . [101]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1 (and amendments thereto: A/C.3/59/L.81 and A/C.3/59/L.83)

The Committee had before it two statements of programme budget implications of the draft resolution, contained in documents A/C.3/59/L.82 and A/C.3/59/L.82/Add.1.

The representative of Brazil made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Burkina Faso, Cape Verde and Switzerland had joined as sponsors.

Albania, Australia, Belarus, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Canada, the Central African Republic, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Grenada, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mongolia, Mozambique, Namibia, Nepal, New Zealand, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Serbia and Montenegro, Somalia, South Africa, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia and Zambia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The representative of the United States introduced and corrected the amendments contained in document A/C.3/59/L.81.

The representative of Brazil stated that the proposed amendments were not acceptable to the sponsors.

The Committee voted on the amendments contained in A/C.3/59/L.81 as follows:

The amendments contained in paragraphs 1 (as corrected), 2, 3 (as corrected), 4, 5 (as corrected), 6 to 9, 10 (as corrected) and 11 to 13 were rejected by a recorded vote of 126 to 2, with 36 abstentions;

The proposal to delete operative paragraph 9 of the draft resolution was rejected by a recorded vote of 112 to 30, with 10 abstentions;

The proposal to delete operative paragraph 51 (c) of the draft resolution was rejected by a recorded vote of 139 to 3, with 16 abstentions.

The representative of Brazil made a statement in explanation of vote before the votes on the amendments.

The representative of Egypt introduced the amendments contained in document A/C.3/59/L.81, on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Bangladesh.

The Secretary read out a statement of programme budget implications relating to the proposed amendments.

Following a statement by the representative of Brazil, the Committee rejected the amendments contained in document A/C.3/59/L.81 by a recorded vote of 97 to 38, with 22 abstentions.

The Committee then voted on operative paragraph 9 of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1, which was retained by a recorded vote of 114 to 30, with 14 abstentions.

The representative of Brazil made a statement before the vote on the paragraph.

The representative of Singapore requested a vote on operative paragraph 23 (b) and on the words "corporal punishment" in operative paragraph 38 (b) of the draft resolution.

The representative of Brazil made a statement.

Operative paragraph 23 (b) was retained by a recorded vote of 123 to 7 with 32 abstentions.

Following a statement by the representative of Brazil, the words "corporal punishment" in operative paragraph 38 (b) were retained by a recorded vote of 130 to 4, with 33 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Barbados and the Republic of Korea.

The representative of Singapore also made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 170 to 2, with 3 abstentions.

The representative of the United States made a statement before the vote.

The representative of India made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote; statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Japan and Singapore.

Statements after the vote were also made by the representatives of China and Argentina.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of document A/59/41.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 101.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103]

Draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.71

The representative of Qatar made a statement.

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [103 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.67/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus and the United States.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 103.

Right of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [104]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.70/Rev.1

The representative of Egypt made a statement and announced that the following delegations had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Botswana, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden and the United Republic of Tanzania.

Afghanistan, Albania, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, the Central African Republic, Grenada, Iceland, Liberia, Madagascar, Switzerland, Ukraine and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 169 to 5, with 4 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Israel, Australia, Canada and Argentina.

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

The representative of Mali made a statement with regard to the vote.

Wednesday, 24 November 2004

Security Council

5087th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 24 November 2004, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5087th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Juan Gabriel Valdés, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti.

"Representatives of the participating troop-contributing countries, Mr. Valdés, and members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views. "

5088th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 24 November 2004, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5088th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Operation in Burundi (UNOB).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

"Representatives of the participating troop-contributing countries, Mr. Annabi, and members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views."

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

25th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee was informed that there were no programme budget implications for draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.10, A/C.4/59/L.11, A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.13, A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1 and A/C.4/59/L.18.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement on the programme budget implications regarding draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.14.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [75]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.10, A/C.4/59/L.11, A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1 and A/C.4/59/L.13

The representative of the Netherlands, on behalf of the European Union, introduced the oral amendments to draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Indonesia.

The Secretary of the Committee announced the additional co-sponsors of draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.10 to A/C.4/59/L.13.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.10

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.10, by a recorded vote of 154 to 1, with 9 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.11

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.11, by a recorded vote of 151 to 4, with 5 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1

The representative of Guinea made a statement on a point of order.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1, as orally amended, by a recorded vote of 152 to 5, with 6 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.13

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.13, by a recorded vote of 153 to 5, with 6 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Cameroon.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 75.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and other Arabs of the Occupied Territories . . . [76]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.14, A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1 and A/C.4/59/L.18

The representative of the Netherlands, on behalf of the European Union, introduced oral amendments to draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1 and A/C/4/59/L.17/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The representative of Mali withdrew its co-sponsorship of draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.12/Rev.1, A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1 and A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1.

The Secretary of the Committee announced the additional co-sponsors of draft resolutions A/C.4/59/L.14 to A/C.4/59/L.18.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.14

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.14, by a recorded vote of 80 to 6, with 74 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.15/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 151 to 4, with 8 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.16/Rev.1, as orally amended, by a recorded vote of 149 to 5, with 9 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.17/Rev.1, as orally amended, by a recorded vote of 142 to 6, with 15 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.18

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.18, by a recorded vote of 152 to 1, with 9 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Australia, Canada, Haiti and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel made statements.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 76.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman then adjourned the Committee, on the understanding that it would meet in 2005 to take up the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, under agenda item 77, and later to elect the Chairman of the Committee for the sixtieth session.

Second Committee

36th meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance . . . . . [39]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.40

The representative of Somalia introduced the draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that the Syrian Arab Republic had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.44

The representative of Liberia introduced and orally revised the draft resolution and informed the Committee that Belgium, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Denmark, France, the Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Italy, Japan, Lesotho, Mali, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Sierra Leone, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Eradication of poverty and other development issues . . . . . [89]

(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.49

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced and orally revised the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.50

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced the draft resolution.

(b) Women in development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.48

The representative of Mexico introduced the draft resolution.

(c) Industrial development cooperation

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.47

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced the draft resolution.

Training and research . . . . . [92]

(a) United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.51

The representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced the draft resolution.

Information and communication technologies for development . . . . . [44]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.18 and A/C.2/59/L.32*

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Antonio Bernardini (Italy), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.32, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.18*.

The representative of Tunisia orally corrected the French text and informed the Committee that the Group of 77 and China, as well as Andorra, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and Turkey, had subsequently joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.32.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.32, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.18* was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Information and communication technologies for development: Progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 57/295", contained in document A/59/563, and to request the Secretary-General to submit a further report on the implementation of the strategy to the General Assembly at its sixtieth session.

Sustainable development . . . . . [85]

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.11 and A/C.2/59/L.45

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.45, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.11.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.45, as orally corrected.

In the light of the adoption of the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.45, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.11 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 85 (c).

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.13 and A/C.2/59/L.30

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.30, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.13.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.30, as orally corrected.

The representatives of Benin and the Niger made statements.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA country Norway) and New Zealand.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.30, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.13 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 85 (d)

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.14 and A/C.2/59/L.46

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.46, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.14.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.46.

In the light of the adoption of the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.46, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.14 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 85 (e).

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth session of the General Assembly . . . . . [86]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.5 and A/C.2/59/L.38

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.38, which was submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.5.

The Secretary of the Committee read out an oral statement of programme budget implications on the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.38, as orally corrected.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.38, draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.5 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 86.

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources . . . . . [91]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.41

The representative of Egypt orally revised the draft resolution.

The representatives of Brunei Darussalam, Cuba and Senegal joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that a recorded vote had been requested on the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.41 was then adopted, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 140 to 4, with 8 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representative of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway).

The representative of Denmark made a statement with regard to his vote.

The representatives of Kyrgyzstan and the Republic of Moldova indicated that they had intended to vote in favour of the draft resolution.

The representatives of the Niger and the Sudan indicated that had they been present they would have voted in favour of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 91.

Training and research . . . . . [92]

(b) United Nations University

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.35

The Committee postponed action on the draft resolution to a later date.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Extension of deadline for draft proposals

The Chairman informed the Committee that Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) had requested that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 89 be extended to 1 December 2004.

Third Committee

53rd meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [99]

Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman

The Rapporteur reported on consultations held and drew the Committee's attention to the text of a draft resolution, which was circulated in an informal paper.

The Secretary read out a correction to the text.

Statements were made by the representatives of France and the United States.

The Committee then adopted the text of the draft resolution, as corrected.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada and Australia) and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 99.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination. . . . . [103]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.71

The representative of Qatar made a statement.

The representative of South Africa orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors.

The Secretary made a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution, as orally revised.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 175 to 2, with 2 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Norway (also on behalf of New Zealand) and Israel.

The representative of France also made a statement.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of document A/59/375.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 103.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms. . . . . [105 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.38

The representative of Peru orally revised the text and announced that the following delegations had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Armenia, Belgium, Botswana, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay.

Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Canada, the Central African Republic, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire Finland, Guyana, Guinea Bissau, Djibouti, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Estonia, Ethiopia, the Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Kenya, Kuwait, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mongolia, Monaco, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, the Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Serbia and Montenegro, San Marino, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Swaziland, Switzerland, Togo and Zambia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Honduras.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution, as orally revised, contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.44

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Mexico orally revised the text and announced that Armenia, Bolivia, Egypt, Japan and Paraguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Costa Rica, Grenada, Honduras, Jordan, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia and Montenegro, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the Sudan and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.51

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Mexico orally revised the text and announced that Armenia, Niger and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Bolivia, Côte d'Ivoire, the Gambia, the Ghana, Grenada, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan and Togo also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Singapore.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.58

The Secretary read out a statement regarding financial provisions relating to the draft resolution.

The representative of Mexico orally revised the text and announced that the following delegations had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Croatia, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mauritius, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Bulgaria, Canada, the Central African Republic, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Georgia, Ghana, Guinea, Iceland, Israel, Jamaica, Latvia, Lebanon, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Morocco, Romania, Nigeria, Serbia and Montenegro, Spain, Switzerland and Togo also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Costa Rica and the Republic of Korea.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.62 (and amendments thereto: A/C.3/59/L.77)

Draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.62

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Romania orally revised the draft resolution and announced that the following delegations had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Albania, Armenia, Australia, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Iceland, India, Mexico, New Zealand, San Marino, Switzerland and Uruguay.

Ecuador, Georgia, Guatemala, Micronesia (Federated States of), Iraq, Mongolia, Nigeria, Norway, Senegal, Thailand and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Action on amendments contained in A/C.3/59/L.77

The representative of Cuba made a statement, in the course of which he withdrew, with the exception of paragraph 4, all other paragraphs contained in document A/C.3/59/L.77.

The representative of Romania then proposed an amendment to paragraph 4, which was subsequently accepted by the representative of Cuba.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.62

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised and amended, by a recorded vote of 161 to none, with 20 abstentions.

Statements before the vote were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Egypt, Cuba, China and the Sudan.

A statement was made by the representative of Malaysia.

The representative of Romania announced that Spain was omitted from the list of sponsors of the resolution contained in document A/C.3/59/L.62.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee took note of a number of reports under the item.

A statement was made by the representative of Armenia.

54th meeting

The summary of the 54th meeting of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/229).

Fifth Committee

27th meeting

Administration of justice at the United Nations . . . . . [120]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/59/408).

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/449, A/59/414, A/58/300, A/59/70 and A/59/78).

The President of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal, Mr. Julio Barboza, then introduced the report of the Tribunal (A/58/680).

The Inspector of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Victor Vislykh, introduced the report of the Unit (A/59/280 and A/59/280/Corr.1).

The Director of the General Legal Division, Office of Legal Affairs, introduced the note by the Secretary-General (A/59/280/Add.1).

The Chief of the Conditions of Service Section of the Office of Human Resources Management then introduced the report of that Office (A/C.5/59/12).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions made a statement.

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 . . . . . [121]

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 . . . . . [122]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/139, A/59/547 and A/59/549).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/59/561).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Switzerland, Serbia and Montenegro, the Russian Federation, Japan, Norway, Rwanda, the United Republic of Tanzania, China, Oman, the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic, Iceland, Mexico, Nigeria and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these agenda items.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on these questions would begin on that day, Wednesday, 24 November, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. David Dutton (Australia).

The representative of Australia, coordinator of the informal consultations on these items, made a statement.

Organization of work

The representative of Australia, coordinator of the informal consultations on Human resources management, made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 24 November 2004

General Assembly

Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture
Thirty-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

634th meeting — *Submission of reports by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* . . . . . [4]

The Committee adopted its concluding observations on the report submitted by Argentina.

635th meeting — *Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention* . . . . . [7]

The Committee continued its consideration of individual communications.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

52nd meeting — *Substantive issues arising in the implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* . . . . . [3]

The Committee continued its consideration of the draft general comment on article 15 (1) (c) (The right of everyone to benefit from the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, literary or artistic production of which he is the author).

53rd meeting — *Consideration of reports* . . . . . [6]

The Committee adopted the concluding observations on the second periodic report of Azerbaijan (E/1990/6/Add.37).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Lebanon (8 November 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Exhibit

In observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine to the United Nations, will present a Palestinian cultural exhibit entitled "Steadfast in Palestine." The exhibit will be displayed from Monday, 29 November, to Friday, 10 December 2004, in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building. The formal opening of the exhibit will be held on *Monday, 29 November 2004*, at 6 p.m. in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Screening of films

Also in observance of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of films entitled "In the Name of Security" and "The Wall", which will be shown on Monday, 29 November, at 1 p.m. at the Dag Hammarksjöld Library Auditorium.

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